

# **ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST-GANANOQUE ST. PHILOMENA - HOWE ISLAND**

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Sun. Dec. 31  
The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary and  
Joseph

January 1, 2018 The  
Solemnity of Mary,  
The Holy Mother of  
God



(Holy Day of Obligation)

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, December 30**

5:00 pm - † Mary O’Hearn

**Sunday, December 31**

8:30 am at St. Philomena † Brian Dwyre

10:30 am at St. John - † Ioleen Bovey

**New Year’s Eve, December 31**

**5 pm at St. John: For your intentions**

**7:30 pm at St. Philomena: For your intentions**

**Monday, January 1 (please note time)**

**10:00 am: For your intentions**

**Tuesday, January 2 - No Mass**

**Wednesday, January 3:**

8:00 am - † Murray Hockey

**Thursday, January 4:**

8:00 am - † Michael MacDonald

**Friday, January 5:**

8:00 am - † Stan Tozer

### **The Epiphany of the Lord**

**Saturday, January 6:**

5:00 pm - † Covell & Salter Family

**Sunday, January 7:**

8:30 am at St. Philomena - † Joan Kane

10:30 am St. John - † Nadine Plumpton

#### **2018 Offertory Envelopes**

A reminder to parishioners on the Pre-Authorized Payment Plan, to please pick up your box at this time. Verify the address as soon as possible as this is the address used to forward the tax receipt. Write your name on the first envelopes. Thank you so much for your donations.

**IN YOUR PRAYERS** Please remember those in our parish, community, family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually **Mary Ellen Douglas, Shelley Hunt from Kingston, Tracey Ferguson and Joan Thorne.**

**PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE** Please remember in your prayers those who have entered into eternal life.

*My friends in Christ,*

*As we again begin a new year, I wish all of you many blessings. A new year brings with it much hope for the future. We all need to make this year one in which we all grow closer to Our Lord and his Church will open our hearts to serve the needs of our brothers and sisters!*

*I would also like to thank all those who in any way have assisted in making our Christmas Liturgies so wonderful. I would also like to thank everyone who expressed best wishes to me in this special season. Your prayers and generosity are greatly appreciated.*

*Please be assured of my prayers for you this upcoming year. Blessings in Christ,*

*Fr. Dale*

**An Invitation to Serve Your Parish** We are always in need of parishioners to help with the various ministry. You may not think that you have the skills or “holy” enough – no need to worry!! All you require is a compassionate heart and a love of the Lord. Below are some of the ministries.

**Altar Servers:** *For weekends:* Adult and Youth after their First Communion can volunteer.

**Weekdays & Funerals:** - Adult volunteers. We need one extra person to ring the bells at funerals.

**Music** - Parishioners of all ages are welcome to participate in sharing their musical talents (voice/instrument). We have two choirs.

**Event Dates:**

First Communion: Enrolment Mass: Sun. January 21 at 10:30 am

Confirmation: Enrolment Mass on Sun. January 28 at 10:30 am

**Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 5 pm**

Rosary: Joy O’Neill      Greeters: Bill and Sherry Turcotte  
 Gifts: Steve and Lorraine O’Meara    Communion: Diane Hebert

**Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 10:30 am**

Carveth: Maryln Jacobsen and Budgie Mabee  
 Greeters: Emily Bernardino & Alice Mangan  
 Lector: Margaret Rose    Gifts: Brendan and Maggie Duffy  
 Holy Communion: Sharon Carmichael  
 Children’s Liturgy: Kally Portieous

**At St. Philomena for Sunday, January 7**

Reader: Bonnie Ottenhof      Holy Communion: Dianne Dowling



**St. Francis Xavier Relic Visit**

A famous relic of St. Francis Xavier—his right forearm and hand, with which it is thought he baptized over 100,000 people—is coming to Canada. The relic

rarely leaves Rome. Everyone is welcome to come venerate this great saint. Come at St. Mary’s Cathedral, Kingston on Wed., Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. [cco.ca/relic](http://cco.ca/relic) for details or the poster.

**Blessing of Expectant Parent(s)**

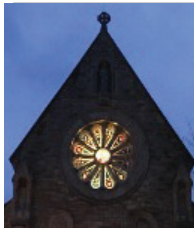
If you are an expectant parent(s) and would like to receive a blessing, please approach Father Dale before or after Mass or you may contact the parish office.

Welcome to parishioners, visitors, friends & family.



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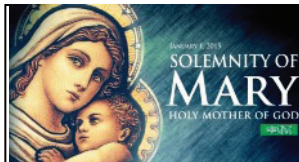
Eric Emmerson, tenant at St. Philomena’s rectory, is looking for an occupant/roommate. If you or someone you know love the island, wood stove heat, and time spent on porch, please call the office for information. 613.382.2017. Jan. occupancy.



**A glimmer of Light!**

Please take a copy of The Journey, the Archdiocesan Newsletter and read Nancy Hibbert’s

wonderful article about St. John’s Rose Window. Mark Thompson and Meridith were in to continue setting the base for the installation of the lights behind the Rose Window. All is set up, we are awaiting for one more part which is delayed by 4 weeks. In the meantime, work was done on the inside of the Rose Window to repair some of the stone work and fill in holes where air and light were coming through. Please feel free to come to the front of the Church, by the altar, and look back towards the Rose Window. How clear the light is shining through each petals.



**Mother of God and Us**

We must not forget Mary is both Mother of God and our mother too. Jesus gave her to us, and us to her, from the Cross. “Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did,” St. Maximilian Kolbe, among others, tells us. Constantly take heart, for the Mother of God is always listening and ready to help us. **“Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.”**

<http://www.ncregister.com> and [askideas.com](http://askideas.com)



**Pre-Authorized Debit Plan - Jan. Withdrawal Date: Monday, Jan. 15, 2018**

We are entering our third year since the start of the Pre-Authorized Plan. A gentle reminder that you may wish to review your monthly donations. Please call Lise at the office for any amendments.

**Do you wish to donate through the Pre-Authorized Debit Plan? How Do I Get Started?**

1. Take a Pre-Authorized Debit Plan Form available at the entrance of the Church, complete all sections and staple a “VOID” cheque.
2. Return the form and VOID cheque via Offertory collection basket or drop it off at the office. Keep your information confidential and secure by placing form & cheque in an envelope.

Image: Toronto hydro

COLLECTION - Dec. 10	St. John	St. Philomena	Dec. 17	St. John	St. Philomena
Offering Envelopes	\$1,740.00	\$524.50	Offering Envelopes	\$1,412.25	\$419.50
Loose Collection	286.05	10.00	Loose Collection	223.75	\$4.00
Fuel	195.00	89.50	Fuel	60.00	\$20.00
Renovation	125.00		Renovation	100.00	
Christmas Collection in next bulletin.			Cemetery	50.00	



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